



Fire Extinguishers

When **NOT** to fight a fire...

- IF the fire could block your exit
- IF the fire is spreading too quickly
- IF the fire is too large
- IF your house is filling with smoke
- IF you are unsure how to use your fire extinguisher
- IF your instincts simply tell you no

Types of Extinguishers



10 Important Rules to Remember About Fire Extinguishers

1. Most Fires start small. If the fire is contained to a single object, attack the fire with proper extinguisher.
2. **ONLY** use extinguisher if ALL occupants have been evacuated and fire department has been notified.
3. When purchasing a fire extinguisher, look for one that has been tested by an independent test laboratory. Also look for one labeled A-B-C - these will most effective on most fires.
4. Make sure you are physically able to handle a fire extinguisher. Some models are heavy and may be hard to operate and hold at the same time.
5. Know how to operate the extinguisher quickly. You will not have time to read the instructions during an emergency.
6. Keep your fire extinguisher in an easily accessible area. Make sure it is not blocked by anything that would keep you from grabbing it quickly in an emergency.
7. Remember the word **P.A.S.S** **P**ull, **A**im, **S**queeze, **S**weep
8. If your means of escape becomes compromised at any time while using extinguisher, get out as fast as possible and wait for fire department.
9. If you have any doubt about whether or not to fight a fire with an extinguisher, DON'T! Get out and stay out!
10. Contact the fire department about information on any fire extinguisher training that you may need.



P.A.S.S



Pull the pin



Aim at the base of the fire



Squeeze the handle



Sweep from side to side at base of fire



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